



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

APPLICANT: Gokhan S. Hotamisligil

SERIAL NUMBER: 09/788,074

EXAMINER: Zara, Jane

FILING DATE: February 16, 2001

ART UNIT: 1635

FOR: A METHOD OF DIAGNOSING A RISK OF DEVELOPING INSULIN  
RESISTANCE

March 24, 2004  
Boston, Massachusetts

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), Applicant hereby petitions for a three-month extension of time to respond to the September 24, 2003, Office Action in the above-identified application. With the extension, the response is due on or before March 24, 2004. A check in the amount of \$950.00 in payment of the fee required by 37 C.F.R. §1.17(a)(1), is enclosed herewith.

Please charge any additional fees that may be due, or credit any overpayment of same, to Deposit Account No. 50-0311 (Reference No. 21509-044). A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Ingrid A. Beatie".

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